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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : SENTHIL K. VISWANATHAN, ET AL. RECEIVED
U.S. Serial No. : 09/276,346 SEP 09 2003
Filed : March 25, 1999 Technology Center 2600
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS TO PROVIDE FACILITY
A N D M O D U L E R E D U N D A N C Y I N
TELECOMMUNICATION SWITCHING EQUIPMENT
Group No. : 2664
Examiner : C. T. Ho

MAIL STOP RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant respectfully requests a two month extension of time for filing a RCE and Supplemental Amendment to the Office Action mailed March 31, 2003. The response period is presently set to expire on June 30, 2003, and if this Petition for Extension of Time is granted, the new response date will be August 31, 2003. Since August 31, 2003 is a Sunday, and Monday, September 1, 2003 is Labor Day, the shortened statutory period of response will be extended to Tuesday, September 2, 2003.

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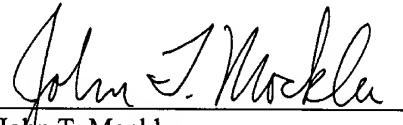
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A check in the amount of \$1,160.00 is enclosed for the two month extension fee (\$410.00) and the RCE fee (\$750.00). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Davis Munck Deposit Account No. 50-0208.

Respectfully submitted,

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